

By FRANK H. SWEET watched by eyes and that wondrous bent the

> Only the light of tapers small, That on two tender faces fall, Two tender faces-one divine-That still through all the centuries shine



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From palace walls, from thrones of gold, m churches, shrines, cathedrals old, re the grand masters of their art ight faithfully with hand and heart.



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J. WO Christmas Stories

By KATHERINE CLOVER



"SHE ISN'T COMING.

was Christmas eve, and Carl's little bohemian restaurant was beginning to fill with gay, laughing folk, Who sauntered in by twos and threes, the men slapping one another on the shoulders as they passed. bantering the little German proprietor and taking calm and easy pos session of things, as if

they were well used to the ways of the place. Shabby and ill kept most of them looked, but their faces were bright and their lips were bubbling with little snatches of song, overflowing evidently from bearts full of gayety.

At one table in a corner sat a man apart from the crowd and clearly oblivious to the life of the place, his eyes eagerly watching first the clock and then the door. Once or twice he started and half rose from his chair as some one entered, scanning a face closely, only to sink back with a long sigh. It was five minutes of 7 o'clock. "She isn't coming." he thought, and he let his chin fall heavily into his palm while he tried to gather his thoughts. At last, half conscious of some one approaching, he looked up and found a girl standing there her hand outstretched. "I am late," she said hur-"Have I kept you walting riedly. long?

"Yes, but it doesn't matter. Nothing matters now that you are here," he said warmly, taking her hand in both of his. "Sit down and let me look at you." He drew out her chair and seated himself opposte. Both were silent for a moment while they looked steadily into each ober's eyes. The color rose slowly in the girl's checks, and she turned away

she asked, with a a coast fittle langa.
"Like all the best of the old times rolled into one." he said. "Heavens, how I have wanted to be back, Joyce!" "We are both growing too old to be

sentimental, Jack. I want you to tell me all about Paris and your success. I read about you and was very proud to be an old friend of the distinguished young American artist, Mr. John Hamilton Seawell."

They were interrupted by the walter, an old friend of the two, who boy ed and scraped an infinite number of times before they could stop him. "Tonight we are to have all the things we used to pretend we didn't like because the figures were too steep for our in-comes, with a few of the more familiar things thrown in for andd lang syne," he said, scanning the menu card Joyce nodded her head and smiled, and the order was finally given after a long conference of the three.

When the waiter brought the dinner, the table was heaped with little dishes



"SOMETIMES HER IMAGE WOULD STEAL BETWEEN BIM AND THE CANVAS."

of all sorts, more than they could possibly have eaten if they had been saving up for this one meal during all the time of their separation. In reality they were both too excited to be hungry, and their tongues went so fast that there was time only for spasmodic dips into the various dishes. When the dinner tapered off to coffee and cheese, however, they both fell into si-

ience. The man lighted a eigar in the old easy way they were used to and New York on the day he expected, and said between puffs, "I want to tell you a story, Mile. Joyce, if you will listen." Ing for the hour of their engagement. "I shall be most happy," she said with assumed gayety. "But be sure to make it end well. I don't like and stories on Christmas eve."

"I shall do my best not to make it end unhappily, but that isn't for me to say. Well, here goes:

"Once upon a time there lived a dear, foolish malden and a stupid, struggling artist, whom she befriended. The maiden at least ought to have been very rich, possessor of stately mansions and all that sort of thing, if she had had her deserts, but, truth to things, but all the time the artist has tell, both of them were very, very poor -so poor that the maiden used to weer frayed skirts and cracked shoes sometimes, though she laughed and pretended she did it for fun, and the artist was so poor that-well, he was poorer than any really respectable person ever was before. The two lived next door neighbors high up in the same cheap boarding house in a busy little city called New York. For some unfathomable reason the maiden took pity on the artist and used to help him out of his domestic difficulties and try to patch up his moral snags and tears as well. She was his good angel and made the days of struggling worth while for the stupid artist. She used to write wonderful stories-much too wonderful to be appreciated by the earthy editors she had to submit them to. In spite of their poverty, they used to have good times together, those two When things grew very somber they would help each other jeer at fortune. There was a little restaurant where they would have jolly dinners whenever the artist sold a sketch or two. Carl, the keeper of the restaurant, was their friend and served them good dinners seasoned with sage philosophy. The day dawned when the artist had an opportunity to go abroad and study his art under the great masters-the

thing he had longed for all his life, "When the chance came, however, it seemed a small thing compared to the loss of the maid-



THEY WERE INTER-RUPTED BY THE WAITER.

home. She sent

him away with

a heavier heart

laughing, haunting image, would steal Joyce paused. in between him and his canvas, and then he would have to give up work for that day. It was no use. He would go out on the streets and walk and walk and walk, trying to wonder if the maiden's answer was final, calling up little scenes of their days together, conjuring up her looks to see if he could not again read in her eyes and find something there that he wanted. He wrote her long letters telling her a great many things that were not always kind. Some of the letters he sent across the ocean to her; others he tore up and tried to forget. But there were only three letters from her in all the four years he was gone, and they all came on Christmas eve. Long friendly letters they were, just like the chats they used to have, but with no sign of the thing he wanted her to write above all else. The stupid artist worked so hard that he could hardly help winning some shadowy success in all that time. There was a picture or two in the salon; his instructors grew encouraging; there was a line now and then in the papers, all of which puffed him up mightly because he vainly hoped they might make some difference with the maiden. "When four years had passed the

artist thought be might return to his home in New York and start his work there. He told himself over and over again that he was going home to the maiden, and his heart beat absurdly with hope of seeing her and then sank heavily again at thought of the change the years might have made, of the extrangement they might have brought During the time he had been away she had written many stories and had finally convinced the editors of their worth. He saw her name in the contents of a number of magazines. The old days were changed. He would no longer find her in the cheap boarding house. If she sent him away three years before, she probably had almost forgotten him in all this time, but the thought of the Christmas letters spurred him to write to her and tell her of his return. He would reach New York the day before Christmas, the anniversary of his leaving. Would she meet him that evening at half past 6 in the little restaurant? He would walt for her at their same table in the corner, and they would talk over old times. The artist arrived in

all afternoon he wandered about, waityet half dreading it for four she should not come. But the good falry waved her wand for him this time, for the maiden really came, and she is just the same, dear, sweet maiden as in the old days, only the shabby clothes are replaced by new, well cut things, and there is a quiet air of prosperity about her. She looks just a little older, perhaps, and the eyes are a trifle more serious, but they are the same tender. splendid eyes, reflecting a big, sweet soul. The two talked over many searched the maiden's eyes to see if he could find there any sign of what he has longed for all these years, a different answer to the question he put to her four years ago. He is eager to offer again to make a home for her and to spend his life trying to make her the happiest woman in all the world." He looked over at the girl. "It is for

you to end the story," he said quietly. Her cheeks were flushed, and she was toying with her spoon. She looked up at him a moment, and her eyes were shining. "I want to go back a little and change your story some. I shall begin where the artist had his opportunity to go abroad and study. When he told the malden about the chance and offered to give it up for her it was the bardest thing she ever had to do in her life to refuse the sacrifice, but she had some small sense of right, and she knew what those years abroad would mean to his future, so she rebuffed him and made him do the thing she knew his head dictated, though his foolish, generous heart led him to offer the other. He thought it was hard for him, perhaps, but he had Paris, with all its diversions, and the spur of his new work, while she had

only the lonely sense of his absence,

She used to haunt the places where

"SHE USED TO WRITE SONDEHRUL STORIES.

they had been together, and sometimes the days dragged that only the thought of the millstone she would have been to him if she had acceded to his plan kept her from doing some desperate thing. Then there came his letters begging her for some line in return. and that was the hardest buttle of ph. She

fought it steadily for three days before she won. She knew if she wrote to him her letters would keep her in his mind and that some time she might carelessly say something to ever had before. He went to Paris, bring him back sooner than he ought where he pitched deep into work to to come. It was hard not to yield to try to forget the maiden, but thoughts what her heart pleaded for, but she of her would creep in in spite of felt he could do his best work cut off himself, and sometimes her image, a from thoughts of her and then"-

"And then?" the man said quickly. "She thought perhaps he might have fooled himself that he wanted to marry her while circumstances drew their lives so closely together. Now that he was seeing more of the world and meeting other women he would weigh the matter and would learn his mind. If he came back and still wanted her. she would know he meant it, and"-

"That's all," she ended lamely, smiling up at him. "No, not all. Together shall we try

"Yes?" the man broke in eagerly.

to end the stories with 'They lived happily ever after?" She reached out her hands to him

for answer, and he closed them tenderly in his.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

Notice is hereby given that in purusance of an order of sale made and entered by the District Court of the Fifth Judicial District, County of Washington, State of Utah, on the fifteenth day of September, A. D., 1906, I will sell at public auction subject to the confirmation of said court the following described real property, viz: All of lot four (4,) in block nine (9,) in the east one-half of the southeast one-fourth of section fifteen, (15) township thirty-nine (39), south of range fifteen (15) west, or Salt Lake Meridian, and containing one hundred and fifty-six (156) square rods of land, the same being in the Pine Valley Townsite Entry.

The said sale will be made on the Twenty-second (22) day of December, A. D., 1906, at ten o'clock a. m. at the front door of the court house, in the city of St. George, county and state aforesaid. Terms Cash.

FRANK R. BENTLEY. Sheriff of Washington County, Utab. Dated at St. George, Utah, October 31, A. D. 1906.

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He-Do you think it would be foolish of me to marry a woman who was my intellectual inferior? She-I don't know that it would be foolish, but it would be a difficult thing for you to do.